

St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish

Meeting Notes & Decisions

Leadership Formation Team

1 July 2019, 7pm Johnsonville Presbytery

Present: Sr Judith McGinley, Paul Alford, John Lawson, Paul Betham, Shane Dinnan, Pete Roe, John Kleinsman, Thomas Davis, Marushka Caldeiro

Apologies:, Kitty McKinley. Anna Mika-Hunt

- Opening Prayer: led by Paul A
 - Action Log Updated
 - Register of Interest – no changes
 - Previous minutes approved
-

1. Welcome to the Focolare Movement

An opportunity to meet the Focolare community from the parish – led by Ian Hamilton along with Felice, Tinette and Bingo.

A chance to hear the history of the FM, what got them involved and discussion on the formation work and style they undertake.

An offer has been made by them to present a proposal on sharing the letters of Pope Francis (starting with Rejoice & Exult) as a formation occasion for the parish. The LFT look forward to the proposal in due course.

2. Parish Communications

New website development – project team meeting 2 July

Welcom Article – To be published early July.

3. Finance & Buildings

2019-20 parish budget delivered by the Finance Committee for LFT approval. The budget is balanced with a \$4.5k surplus.

LFT has approved the 2019-20 budget. To be disseminated shortly

4. Parish Formation & Mission / Review of Mass timetable

Following an LFT 'power hour' meeting last week, further discussion and planning are being determined in the context of forming a refreshed parish mission. Driven around questions like 'What does it mean to be a Eucharistic Community?'

Agreed a plan and timeline need to be laid out starting in this month of July. Start to bring in context around the parish mission including theology of the Eucharist, good articles/authors eg Ronald Rohlheiser.

Utilise What's Happening communique from the LFT through newsletters and website.

Building pastoral capability has been encouraged with TCI showing an openness to discuss an approach to pastoral training on developing and delivering homilies via a short number of modules and a practicum which could be stair-cased to further study at TCI if wanted by an individual.

This training would add to current formation training and shared homilies.

Mass Times

The Newlands SAC has indicated a desire to change the 12noon mass time to earlier in the day – earliest time change that could be accommodated would be 11.00am. This adjustment would need to come from the SAC's recommendation following consultation with the St Andrew's community.

Discussion and decisions were also made on the need to provide a sustainable weekend mass timetable. This will assist significantly the Marists continuing ability to support a notable mass load

Agreed to formulate a plan and timeline to focus the parish on its mission going forward, starting in July, and an emphasis on formation.

Utilise the newsletter, website, posters, formation opportunities and the LFT What's happening communique.

Meet with the Director of TCI to further shape pastoral training in the parish. (John K)

Continue the discussion re weekend masses to assist in making sustainable decisions.

Indicate to SAC they are able to consult on adjusting the 12noon Sunday mass time (PA)

Also:

- John K to pen 7 July newsletter, John L to do similarly 14 July
- Proprieter Reps on the 2 schools have been confirmed – John Lawson (St Benedicts) and Helen Sligo (St Brigids). Helen is a teacher at Bishop Viard College.
- LFT to host a lunch with local Marist priests Sunday 21 July.

Next meeting: Monday 15 July, 7pm at Johnsonville Presbytery.